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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 29. (Currently Amended) An image transfer member ~~suitable for the receiving of toner images from a first surface and their transfer to a second surface, the transfer member comprising:~~

a base layer and

a non-tacky outer release layer of a condensation cured silicone,
wherein the transfer member is capable of receiving toner images from a first surface and transferring said toner images to a second surface.

30. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer has a thickness of less than 1 mm.

31. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer is less than 200 micrometers thick.

32. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer is less than 100 micrometers thick.

33. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer is less than 50 micrometers thick.

34. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer is between about 3 and about 15 micrometers thick.

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35. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer contains less than 10% silicone oil.

36. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer contains less than 5% silicone oil.

37. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer contains less than 1% silicone oil.

38. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer contains essentially no silicone oil.

39. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the condensation cured silicone contains less than 4% filler material.

40. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the condensation cured silicone contains less than 1% filler material.

41. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the condensation cured silicone contains less than 0.1% filler material.

42. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer comprises crosslinker.

43. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer layer comprises catalyst in an amount greater than that normally used for the polymerization.

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44. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer comprises conductive material.

45. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 and including a layer of primer between the outer release layer and the base for enhancing adhesion of the outer release layer thereto.

66. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 34 wherein the outer release layer is between about 7 and about 8 micrometers thick.

67. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 30 wherein the outer release layer is more than 3 micrometers thick.

68. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 31 wherein the outer release layer is more than 3 micrometers thick.

69. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 32 wherein the outer release layer is more than 3 micrometers thick.

70. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 33 wherein the outer release layer is more than 3 micrometers thick.

71. (Currently Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 42 wherein the cross-linker crosslinker comprises ethyl silicate.

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72. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 43 wherein the catalyst is present in an amount of 0.5-2.5 percent.

73. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 72 wherein the catalyst is present in an amount greater than 1 percent.

74. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 43 wherein the catalyst is about 2.5 times than normally used.

75. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 44 wherein the conductive material comprises carbon black.

76. (Currently Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 29 wherein the outer release layer is suitable for receiving a liquid toner image and for transferring the image to a further third surface.

Cancel Claims 77 to 79 without prejudice.

80. (Currently Amended) An image transfer member suitable for the receiving of toner images from a first surface and their transfer to a second surface, the transfer member comprising a base layer and an outer release layer of a condensation cured silicone rubber, wherein the release lay layer comprises less than 4% filler material.

81. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 80 wherein the release layer comprises less than 1% filler material.

82. (Previously Amended) An image transfer member according to Claim 81 wherein the release layer comprises less than 0.1% filler material.

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Please add the following new claims:

83. (NEW) An image transfer member comprising:

a base layer and

a non-tacky outer release layer consisting essentially of a condensation cured silicone,

wherein the transfer member is capable of receiving toner images from a first surface and transferring said toner images to a second surface.

84. (NEW) An image transfer member comprising:

a base layer and

an outer release layer consisting essentially of a condensation cured silicone without additives that would cause it to become tacky,

wherein the transfer member is capable of receiving toner images from a first surface and transferring said toner images to a second surface.